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Bristol Bay in the news: week of March 14, 2011

Bristol Bay supporters headed to Juneau this week to talk to legislators in the state capitol about protecting this vital watershed. At the same time came news that state lawmakers failed to use money set aside for a study of Pebble Mine and its economic and environmental impacts.

The Anchorage Daily News ran a reaction by Dr. Carol Ann Woody to last week's appearance by Anglo American CEO Cynthia Carroll in Alaska. Dr. Woody searches for cases of fish and large scale metal mining coexisting, but can't find a single real world example.

"This caused me to consider all similar copper mines I know in salmon habitat in case I had missed a thriving example of coexistence. Let's see ... Iron Mountain Mine? No. Leviathan Mine? No. Formosa Mine? No ..." she wrote.

Here's a brief roundup of media from this week. For more information, see [www.SaveBristolBay.org](http://www.SaveBristolBay.org)  
Bristol Bay stakeholders to address legislature over Pebble Mine  
Jonathan Grass

Juneau Empire (also ran in Peninsula Clarion)

The prospect of the Pebble Mine is a looming figure for many in Bristol Bay.

While the Environmental Protection Agency is moving forward with a scientific assessment of the watershed, those of various industries connected to the salmon population would like to see further action... Click here to read more

EPA's Bristol Bay study a good start

Alannah Hurley, Op-Ed

Juneau Empire

In August 2010, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa Jackson stood in the same gym where we grew up, winning and losing basketball tournaments, celebrating graduations, and gathering to discuss important issues in our communities. Jackson heard a unanimous message from our region that day: "Use your power under the Clean Water Act to protect Bristol Bay,... Click here to read more

Fraser salmon run no example of co-existence

Carol Ann Woody, Op-Ed

Anchorage Daily News

Cynthia Carroll, the Pebble Limited Partnership's CEO, recently came from London to assure Alaska's Resource Development Council that salmon and open pit copper sulfide mining really can coexist. This caused me to consider all similar copper mines I know in salmon habitat in case I had missed a thriving example of coexistence... Click here to read more

Murkowski presses EPA administrator on Pebble Mine, oil and gas exploration

Juneau Empire

U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, has questioned Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa Jackson on a series of development projects in Alaska, including efforts concerning the proposed Pebble Mine and oil and gas exploration in the Beaufort Sea and the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska.

Murkowski pressed Jackson in her opening statement at Wednesday's Senate Appropriations

Subcommittee... [Click here to read more](#)

#### Lawmakers Decline Pebble Mine Study

Ted Land

KTUU TV

Nearly a year of indecision has led to, well, no decision on what to do with a chunk of state money meant to study anything from the economics to the environmental effects of the proposed Pebble Mine.

The Legislative Council, a committee of lawmakers that makes decisions about business within the legislature, secured \$750,000 last year,... [Click here to read more](#)

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